

GRAND FORKS COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING  
May 17, 2016 – 4:00 P.M.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment with Commissioners Malm, Pic, Falck, Engen and Knauf present.

The Chair called for any additions or corrections to the May 3, 2016 minutes, hearing none, the minutes were approved as presented.

The Chair called for any changes to the agenda, hearing none, the order of agenda was approved.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Pic, to approve the consent agenda. Items in the consent agenda included: bills as submitted by the County Auditor, Check #14212-14448 in the amount of \$1,569,350.40 and purchasing card transaction in the amount of \$26,760.95; employee status changes for Megha Kholwadwala, Brandis LaFrombois and Kyle Markvardt; overtime; Elkmount Township Assessing Duties Agreement; and Maintenance Agreements. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Malm opened the public hearing for the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Foundation Project MIDA Bonds. No one from the public appeared. The hearing was closed.

Jim Stewart, Arntson Stewart, Wegner, P.C., addressed the board.

Moved by Engen, seconded by Knauf, to approve the resolution authorizing the issuance of an amount not to exceed \$2,900,000 Facility Revenue Bonds for the Dakota Boys and Girls Ranch Foundation Project, Series 2016A, 2016B, 2016C. It appears that the impact and effect of the issue upon existing industry and business will not result in an unfair advantage for the proposed project to the substantial detriment of existing enterprises. A copy of the resolution is on file at the County Finance and Tax Office. The bonds will be subject to a fee of 1% of the total issuance, with a maximum of \$10,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Bridgie Hansen, Juvenile Detention Administrator, addressed the board.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Falck, to send an email asking all County Employees if they have any interest in attending a Self Protection and Predator Awareness course. Motion carried unanimously.

Lane Magnuson, County Planner, addressed the board.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Engen, to approve the amended Agreement for Building Inspection Services. Motion carried unanimously.

Kari Goelz, Emergency Management Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Pic, to approve out of state travel for Ms. Goelz to attend the MGT 335 Event Security Planning in Cambridge, MN, May 23 – 24, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Sheriff Rost addressed the board.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Falck, to approve out of state travel for Sheriff Deputy Nathan Moen to attend the National Tactical Officers Association Conference in Louisville, KY, August 13 – 19, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Bret Burkholder, Correctional Center Administrator, addressed the board.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Engen, to approve out of state travel for Mr. Burkholder to attend the Turnkey Corrections Conference in River Falls, WI, June 22 – 24, 2016 and the National Sheriff's Association Conference in Minneapolis, MN, June 25 – 29, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Tom Ford, Government Relations Coordinator, addressed the board.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Engen, to approve a two year extension of the agreement with The Yonkers Group, a base retention consultant, at a cost of \$390,000. This will be paid from the 2015 Base Retention Grant. Motion carried unanimously.

Nick West, County Engineer, addressed the board.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Pic, to approve the low bid from Asphalt Surface Technologies Corp for the 2016 Bituminous Seal Coat at a cost of \$707,125.07 and approve the Chairman's signature on the contract. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Knauf, seconded by Engen, to approve the low bid from Swanston Equipment for the 2016 County Wide Pavement Marking at a cost of \$101,715.39 and approve the Chairman's signature on the contract. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Pic, to approve the purchase of the Topcon Tierra Messaging system for 12 motor graders at cost of \$8,496. Motion carried unanimously.

Debbie Nelson, Finance and Tax Director, addressed the board.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Falck, to allow Grand Forks County employees time off to work as an election worker without using leave, contingent upon their Department Manager's approval. Grand Forks County will remain staffed for business. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Nelson informed the board of the Erwin C. Wright Trust.

David Jones, States Attorney, addressed the board.

Moved by Pic, seconded by Knauf, to recognize Law Enforcement Day in Grand Forks County. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Knauf, to approve the County Office Building doors to be open 7:45am to 6:00pm, Monday thru Friday, beginning May 31, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Falck, seconded by Engen, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:36pm. The next meeting will be held on June 7, 2016 at 4:00pm.

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Gary Malm, Chair  
Grand Forks County Commission

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Debbie Nelson, County Auditor